

# **EXHIBIT 1**

*(Samango Jr. Dep Excerpts)*

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY  
Civil Action No. CA-11-CV-00819 (JHS)

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ANTHONY J. SAMANGO, JR.,

Plaintiffs,

-vs-

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

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ORAL DEPOSITION OF:

ANTHONY J.  
SAMANGO, JR.

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1 agreement with CIP Frames?

2 A. I don't think I have any obligation.

3 Q. Did you?

4 A. I don't remember.

5 Q. So then what happened after that  
6 initial conversation with David Johnson?

7 A. Well, you know, subsequent followup  
8 conversations we talked about responsibilities, risk,  
9 what his percentage of profit might be, and we struck  
10 a deal.

11 Q. Was this a written agreement?

12 A. No. It was a week-to-week agreement.

13 Q. What do you mean week-to-week?

14 A. Well, in the absence of an agreement,  
15 he could be terminated at the end of the week.

16 Q. So the employees -- what was your  
17 agreement if it was terminated after one week, what  
18 would happen to the employees?

19 A. Well, they weren't his concern. He was  
20 only in it for the profit. Those employees are my  
21 employees.

22 Q. And how much did you promise to pay  
23 this David Johnson?

24 A. I did pay him ten percent.

25 Q. Ten percent?

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1 A. No.

2 Q. How did you come up with this ten  
3 percent figure of payment to David Johnson?

4 A. I offered five, he wanted 20, we  
5 settled on ten. At 20 there was nothing in it for  
6 me. I wasn't saving anything.

7 Q. Were you involved with the  
8 incorporation of CIP Frames?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Do you know who was?

11 A. No.

12 Q. Did you have any discussions with  
13 anyone regarding the incorporation of CIP Frames?

14 A. I did not.

15 Q. Did you assist David Johnson in setting  
16 up CIP Frames?

17 A. No. I mean, I suggested what he should  
18 do, but I didn't assist.

19 Q. What did you suggest he should do?

20 A. Hire a lawyer and incorporate.

21 Q. Do you know whether he did that?

22 A. Did he incorporate?

23 Q. No, whether he hired a lawyer?

24 A. Oh, I don't know.

25 Q. So you had absolutely no involvement in

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1 the incorporation of CIP Frames?

2 A. I didn't want any involvement and I  
3 didn't have any.

4 Q. Do you know whether your son had any  
5 involvement with the incorporation of CIP Frames?

6 A. You're going to have that opportunity  
7 to ask him that.

8 Q. But I'm asking you.

9 A. I don't know.

10 Q. Were you or your son ever an officer of  
11 CIP Frames?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Did you ever sign any documents, you or  
14 your son, as an officer of CIP Frames?

15 A. I did not. I had seen one document  
16 that purports that I was an officer during these  
17 proceedings, but that wasn't on that document when I  
18 signed it.

19 Q. Do you know who were the officers of  
20 CIP Frames?

21 A. I do not.

22 Q. Do you know an entity by the name of  
23 CarCo?

24 A. Yeah.

25 Q. How are you familiar with?

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1 it.

2 Q. How did you inform the unions?

3 A. Telephone call.

4 Q. These were -- you mentioned six unions?

5 A. Five or six. I mean, I don't know if  
6 he employed Teamsters. Carson Concrete does, but the  
7 other five were all on that project.

8 Q. Did CIP Frames have a collective  
9 bargaining agreement with the unions?

10 A. Yeah, they had to enter into one for  
11 this project.

12 Q. With each of the unions?

13 A. I think so.

14 Q. Did you enter into those -- did you  
15 sign those collective bargaining agreements?

16 A. I don't think so.

17 Q. So these are different collective  
18 bargaining agreements than the ones that Carson  
19 Concrete signs with the five or six unions?

20 A. Well, the same agreement, but they  
21 would have just different company name on there.

22 Q. So just to clarify, Carson Concrete  
23 would have to sign one agreement and CIP Frames would  
24 have to sign another agreement?

25 MR. MARTIN: Objection to form. You

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1 A. I don't recall having any.

2 Q. Other than the checkbooks -- you  
3 mentioned -- do you know where the checkbooks were  
4 kept for these Commerce Bank accounts?

5 A. I testified earlier that I don't know  
6 where Carson Concrete checks are kept, so it's not  
7 likely I knew where these were kept.

8 Q. You just knew you had signatory  
9 authority on them?

10 A. I did know that, yes.

11 Q. Why did your son also have signatory  
12 authority on these accounts?

13 A. Simply to sign them in my absence. I  
14 testified previously that I sign all the checks.

15 Q. Is it fair to say that the only time  
16 your son signs them is if you are not present?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. Do you remember how many bank accounts  
19 were opened on behalf of CIP Frames in which you were  
20 a signatory?

21 A. Only as a result of this proceeding, I  
22 saw two.

23 Q. So you're only aware of two?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. Have you ever asked CIP Frames about

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1 Q. And as you testified in Exhibit 1, it  
2 reflects the ten percent that David Johnson was  
3 compensated for providing the employees to the job  
4 site at Waterfront Square?

5 A. Well, I mean, it's questionable what he  
6 was compensated for, but okay.

7 Q. What was he compensated for?

8 A. To get me lower insurance.

9 Q. And as is reflected on the invoice,  
10 with these funds CIP Frames was supposed to pay the  
11 union benefits, Social Security, Medicare, FUTA,  
12 SUTA, workers' comp, general liability insurance and  
13 other insurance?

14 A. Well, I had to pay the gross amount of  
15 the invoice.

16 Q. Carson?

17 A. Carson paid the gross amount of the  
18 invoice. CIP Frames paid the workers and money was  
19 reserved to pay the unions and the rest of the money  
20 went to Johnson's CIP accounts, which I have no  
21 knowledge of.

22 Q. And if Johnson wasn't a signatory, how  
23 was he supposed to withdraw from the account?

24 A. Well, I assume he had his own CIP  
25 Frames accounts.



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1 Q. But how would he withdraw from the CIP  
2 accounts that we've reviewed if he wasn't a  
3 signatory?

4 A. Well, it's my understanding that he got  
5 checks from Carson Concrete. Made also payable to  
6 CIP Frames.

7 Q. Is it your testimony that Carson  
8 Concrete paid David Johnson?

9 A. Paid CIP Frames on the residue or the  
10 balance of these invoices.

11 Q. Did Carson Concrete pay CIP Frames --  
12 did Carson -- so is it your testimony that the funds  
13 to cover the ten percent of David Johnson's  
14 compensation was not deposited into the three  
15 accounts that we've looked at today?

16 A. That is part of my testimony. What I'm  
17 testifying to is that the funds -- you have this  
18 invoice that covers -- let me start over.

19 Q. Sure.

20 A. The money that went into the CIP Frames  
21 accounts that my son and I were signatory to would  
22 have covered employees' wages, union benefits and  
23 various insurances. The balance of the money and the  
24 ten percent was payable to CIP Frames, but did not go  
25 into those accounts, it went to his accounts or what

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1 he did with it, I don't know what he did with it.

2 Q. And how would --

3 A. Carson check to CIP Frames.

4 Q. And how would those funds get delivered  
5 to CIP Frames?

6 A. I don't know whether they were mailed  
7 or -- I don't know how they were delivered.

8 Q. And who were they mailed to? What  
9 address were they mailed?

10 A. I said I don't know how they were  
11 delivered.

12 Q. Do you remember David Johnson coming to  
13 Carson Concrete to pick up the checks?

14 A. I testified earlier that I met with him  
15 a couple of times at the office, so I don't know when  
16 else he came there besides the couple of times that I  
17 met with him. Could have, but I don't know.

18 Q. And who would prepare the check for you  
19 to sign on behalf of Carson Concrete?

20 A. I signed all the Carson checks.

21 Q. But You testified that you don't  
22 prepare checks?

23 A. No, I don't prepare them. They would  
24 be prepared along with any other check that Artz  
25 prepares.

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1 Q. Then would you sign the check or would  
2 you and your son sign?

3 A. You know, I probably signed all those  
4 because they weren't as time sensitive. Not to say  
5 that if I was absent he didn't sign them, but he  
6 really only signed checks in my absence.

7 Q. How often would you -- for these  
8 invoices received from Carson Concrete, examples of  
9 which are marked as Exhibit 1, how often would you  
10 pay CIP Frames that ten percent?

11 A. Well, I testified earlier that we got  
12 paid from our client monthly or 60 days, whichever.  
13 So it would coincide with that.

14 Q. So you would pay these ten percent on a  
15 monthly basis?

16 A. Yeah.

17 Q. Mr. Samango, at some point you were  
18 contacted by the IRS about the unpaid payroll taxes  
19 of CIP Frames?

20 A. I think -- you asked me when?

21 Q. I'm asking you were you contacted?

22 A. I was, yes.

23 Q. And when were you contacted?

24 A. I was contacted late spring, May or  
25 June of 2009.

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1 Q. Mr. Johnson -- Mr. Samango.

2 A. About the same size. He's got a better  
3 tan.

4 Q. Sorry.

5 You previously mentioned that you spoke  
6 to Mr. Johnson a few times on the phone, correct?

7 A. Yeah.

8 Q. And what phone number, do you know what  
9 phone number you used to call him?

10 A. I don't think I would have called him,  
11 I think he called me. I don't know. I don't  
12 remember reaching out for him. I did have a phone  
13 number, I don't know where it's gotten to.

14 Q. Well, where would you have documented  
15 what his phone number was?

16 A. Did I give you his phone number?

17 MR. MARTIN: I don't recall.

18 THE WITNESS: I don't know. At one  
19 time I had his phone number.

20 BY MS. SAIZ:

21 Q. How recently was it that you had his  
22 phone number?

23 A. Years.

24 Q. Years?

25 A. Um-hum. Two, maybe three years.